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In re Patent Application of ) **Mail Stop AMENDMENT**  
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Application No.: 10/786,580 ) Group Art Unit: 1797  
Filing Date: February 26, 2004 ) Examiner: Dwayne K. Handy  
Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR ) Confirmation No.: 4373  
PREPARING SOLUTIONS AND/OR )  
DILUTIONS IN THE LABORATORY )

**AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

- ☒ A Petition for Extension of Time is enclosed.
- ☐ \_\_\_\_\_ Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the ☐ \$ 70 ☐ \$ 140 fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are enclosed.
- ☐ Also enclosed is/are: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- ☒ No additional claim fee is required.
- ☐ An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

AMENDED CLAIMS					
	No. of Claims	Highest No. of Claims Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	34	37	0	x \$ 52 (1202)	\$ 0
Independent Claims	3	3	0	x \$ 220 (1201)	0
<input type="checkbox"/> If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$ 390 (1203)					\$ 0
<b>Total Claim Amendment Fee</b>					<b>\$ 0</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee					0
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>					<b>\$ 0</b>

- ☐ Charge \_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.
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- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

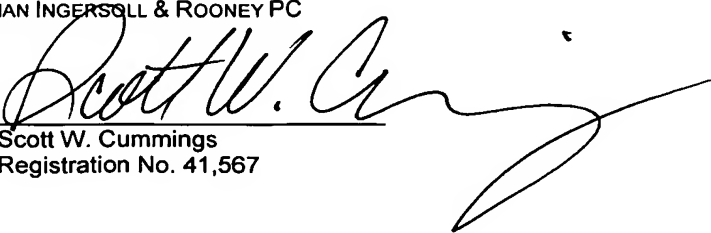
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